**2024 Ontonagon Youth Basketball Tournament Rules & Guidelines:**

1. All games will be played **according to MHSAA Rules** except where modified:
2. Women’s size ball will be used for ALL games.
3. No pressing the back court until the last minute of each half.
4. Grades 3-4, games will be played in two 12 minute, running clock halves. The clock will stop for the first shot of a shooting foul and time-outs.
5. Grades 5-6, games will be played in two 16 minute, running clock halves. The clock will stop for the first shot of a shooting foul and time-outs.
6. The clock will stop for every whistle of the last minute of each half.
7. Each team is allowed 2 one-minute timeouts per half.
8. There will be five minutes for half time. \* Subject to change if we fall behind in time.\*
9. **OVERTIME will be 2 minutes**- one 30 second timeout allowed per team. With every whistle, the clock will stop in overtime. One overtime per game, if there is no winner, then a free throw shoot-out takes place. **PLAYERS WHO ARE ON THE COURT AT THE END OF THE GAME MUST STAY ON THE COURT-(No substitutions are allowed)** and align around their basket and each player shoots one free throw, teams will alternate beginning with the visitor team. If there is still a tie, a coin toss is made with the “Visitor” team calling.
10. Players may play up a grade, but not down. NO CO-ED Teams. All teams are put in the division of the highest grade player(s).
11. For divisions that have only two teams, the second game will be played as the championship game. If there is a tie, then a free throw shoot-out will take place. **PLAYERS WHO ARE ON THE COURT AT THE END OF THE GAME MUST STAY ON THE COURT-(No substitutions are allowed)** and align around their basket and each player shoots one free throw, teams will alternate beginning with the visitor team. If there is still a tie, a coin toss is made with the “visitor” team calling.
12. Water is the only beverage allowed in the gym by players and spectators.
13. Good sportsmanship is mandatory by the spectators and the kids playing basketball. If any inappropriate behavior is observed, you will be asked to leave the premises.
14. Awards will be given to the winning team and runner up team in each bracket.
15. Games will be played as close to scheduled times as possible, but will continue as completed. Be at your court 20 minutes prior to your game. You will forfeit if your team is not ready to play at the scheduled time.